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Immediately after the end of the American Revolution, Congress abolished the U.S. Army, the Navy, and the Marine Corps; leaving the Congress itself the only national governmental organization. The State feared a standing army.

(Note: In Dec 8, 1938, I enlisted in the U.S. Army. Private Pay \$21⁰⁰ per mo.)

Apr 19, 1782

The Netherlands recognized American
independence

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Nov 13, A preliminary peace Treaty
was signed at Paris b and
Amer. Revolution
Final Treaty 1783

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off Spithead, at the eastern end
of the Channel between Hampshire
and the Isle of Wight, the
British man-of-war Royal George
keeled over under the strain,
caused by the shifting of 108
guns. The Command of the Royal
George, Admiral Richard Kempenfeldt,
& 800 sailors, Marines, & visitors drowned.

Aug, 7, 1782

George Washington created the
Order of the Purple Heart, a decoration
to recognize merit in enlisted
men and non-commissioned
officers.

Jan 14, 1782

English Astronomer Edmund
Halley, who observed the comet
that now bears his name, died
at age 85

June 20, 1782

Congress approved the Great Seal
of the United States.